

Ellis Island Oral Interview

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As you know, we have over 400 parks that belong to the National Park Service in the United States? How has this project impacted your understanding of the National Park Service, especially in the New York City area?

“The National Parks do a lot to represent the immigrants and their stories. And they also have physical artifacts of monuments and parks. Bits and pieces that are there to show the world today, the world of the past and it makes me happy that we still have bits of the past with us and that people now can see what things were back then through the help of the National Parks through their structures and places like the Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty... especially since it is very symbolic for our freedom and how we came here and the immigrants.”